

<b>POLICY OF</b>  <b>STATE OF DELAWARE</b>  <b>DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION</b>	<b>POLICY NUMBER</b>  A-09	<b>PAGE NUMBER</b>  1 OF 1
	<b>RELATED NCCHC/ACA STANDARDS:</b> P-A-09/ 4-4403 (IMPORTANT)	
<b>CHAPTER: 11 HEALTH SERVICES</b>	<b>SUBJECT: PRIVACY OF CARE</b>	
<b>APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER:</b>		
<b>EFFECTIVE:</b> 11-19-07		

**PURPOSE:**

Healthcare is provided with consideration of inmate dignity and feelings.

**POLICY:**

1. Healthcare encounters are carried out in a manner and location that promotes confidentiality within the dictates of security and safety.
2. Security staff or interpreters who may be present during healthcare encounters are informed and educated regarding the need for confidentiality.
3. A female escort is provided for encounters with female inmate/ patient by male healthcare provider.
4. Refer to policy H-02 for “Confidentiality of Health Records and Information”.

References:

National Commission on Correctional Health Care: Standards for Health Services in Prisons, 2003, P-A-09

American Correctional Association: Standards for Adult Correctional Institution, 4<sup>TH</sup> Edition, 2003. 4-4403

**RELATED LAW:**

**16 Del. C. § 1203; 16 Del. C. § 1232; 11 Del. C. § 4322.**